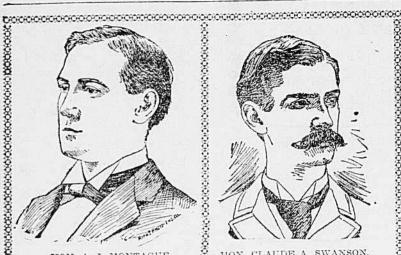
THE GUNS OPENING IN THE CONTEST

Lines Sharply Drawn in the Gubernatorial Race Between Montague and Swanson. One Strong With the People.

THE OTHER EVENS MATTERS UP, AS HE "SPEAKS THE LANGUAGE OF THE TRIBE.





The Two Leading Candidates for Governor of Virginia.

pomination for Governor of Virginia, which will be settled by the State Convention some time next summer, was given new life and spirit about ten days ago by the unexpected announcement on the part of Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson, of this city, that he had decided not to be a candidate for the honor. This leaves four strong can-didates in the field, and all indications point to the flercest struggle that has enpoint to the hercest struggle that has cargaged the attention of the Democrats of Virginia since the memorable deadlock between the forces of Senator Daniel and General Mahone in 1877, which finally resulted in the nomination of the late F. W. M. Holliday, of Winchester, for Governor. Those who aspire to the honor now are: Attorney-General Andrew Jackson Montages, Congressing, Chulde A. Swanson, of

gue, Congressman Claude A. Swansen, of the Fifth District; Lieutenant-Governor Edward Echols, of Staunton, and Col. R. C. Marshall, of Portsmouth, and the race C. Marshall, of Pottsmouth, and the race between them is going to be extremely ex-citing, if not bitter, before it is over. Al-though the opposing forces are barely on the skirmish lines, there are already evi-dences of feeling between the friends of the two leading cundidates and there are many indications that it will not abate until the Convention shall say who is to

be the nominee.
WHO THE LEADERS ARE. WHO THE LEADERS ARE.

Messrs. Montague and Swanson are considered on all hands as the leading candidates, and it is between them and their friends that the battle is expected to rage the flercest. They represent two distinct elements in the Democratle party more typically perhaps than any aspirants whom the fates have pitted against each other for high office in Virginia since the war. Montague's great strength lies with the plain people—the rank and file of the party—while that of his chief antagonist is to be found among the leaders—that comparatively small body of men whose wonderfully astute powers of organization have wielded such a potent influence over the public affairs of the State in the past ten years.

ten years.

It is not meant for a moment that all the people are for Montague, or that every politician in the State is for Swanevery politician in the State is for Swan-son, but it is given as the opinion of the most intelligently informed that as a general proposition these are the lines upon which the battle is drawn between the two young leaders and this fact makes the race fairly bristle with inter-est from one end of the State to the other. It injects into the struggle as well an element of uncertainty, which it of uncertainty, which it require the work of the conve may require the work of the convention to clear away, for never before has the issue been squarely fought out in the State, and no political prophet has yet come upon the scene who was able to foretell what would be the result of such

an unusual controversy.

A BRILLIANT YOUNG LEADER. Attorney General Montague, whose struggle with Mr. Swanson for the guber struggie with Mr. Swanson of the gover-natorial nomination is attracting such widespread attention throughout the State, is one of the most brilliant young men who has figured actively in the poli-

men who has ligured actively in the poli-tics of Virginia for many years.

He is a man of attractive personality, with the manner of a Chesterfield, and ranks as one of the ablest lawyers in Virginia. As an orator Mr. Montague stands in the very front rank and during all the campaigns since he came to manhood he campaigns since he came to manhood he has gone up and down the State, picading the cause of Democracy and pointing the way to the triumph of his party at

In the recent presidential canvass he In the recent presidential canvass he was deluged with requests to speak in every section of Virginia and was almost constantly on the stump until the closing hours of the straggle, arousing the people to the highest pitch of enthusiasm by his magnetic presence and brilliant bursts of oratory.

He also received urgent invitations to treak in Kentucky. Delaware, Maryland

cline on account of official business and | respective favorites.

Mr. Montague has a wonderful hold Mr. Montague has a wonderful hold upon the voters of Virginia and his friends are confidently claiming that he will be the next Governor of the State. He has great confidence in the outcome of the struggle himself, and says he is highly pleased with his prospects of success. He is conducting a most attractive canvass for voters and is regarded as a man of good political judgment.

Mr. Montague succeeded in capturing the attorney-generaliship from the Roanoke convention in 1897, with a number of strong competitors in the race, and unless he surprises his friends, he will be very he surprises his friends, he will be very much in evidence before the Democratic State Convention next summer.

BELIEVES HE WILL WIN OUT. Congressman Claude A. Swanson, Chatham, who is apparently Mr. Mc charman, who is apparently 31. Montague's most dangerous competitor for the nomination, seems equally sanguine that he will win the race. He has recently issued a circular letter, giving encouragement and cheer to his friends, in which he says that he has the support of the two United States Senators and seven of the congressmen from Virginia together with that of a larger number of

together with that of a larger number of prominent party leaders throughout the State and that he has much ground for the belief that he will capture the prize. Mr. Swanson is serving his fourth term in Congress from the Flfth District, and was re-elected in November for the fifth. He is a young man of recognized ability, and has for a number of years been a prominent figure in the Democratic politics of the State. The fact that Mr. Swanson has behind his candidacy (according to his recent circular letter to his friends) such an array of able political leaders is no insignificant one, for it clearly demonstrates his ability to "speak the language of the tribe." ity to "speak the language of the tribe ity to "speak the language of the tribe," and that of itself means a great deal to any one who aspires to public office in Virginia. Mr. Swanson's record has been that of a winner in the past, he having secured five unanimous nominations for Congress from his district, and it is evident that he believes he will win the Governorship, for when reminded here a short while age that his conferring with his supporters in Senator Martin's recent campaign headquarters at Murphy's. cent campaign headquarters at Murphy's, might be an omen of brighter things yet to come, he fairly chuckled and re-plied that he was the luckiest man in the world. His friends in different sec-tions of the State are said to be very active, and are building up a strong organization.

ECHOLS AND MARSHALL. Lieutenant-Governor Echols and Col nel "Dick" Marshall are expected to make strong runs in their respective sec tions of the State, and in the event of anything like a deadlock or a long drawn out controversy in the convention, eith er of them might secure the nomination Mr Ellyson is not an aspirant for the Governorship, Richmond cit naturally becomes the storm centre of naturally becomes the storm centre of the opposing forces, it having the largest vote of any city or county in the State and no home candidate. All kind o and no home candidate. All kind of taux is being indulged in about the probable result here, but the matter lies largely with the City Democratic Committee, and much will depend upon the tending for a primary election, while the advocates of Mr. Swanson, for the mospart, seem to favor ward or precinct meetings. They say there is too much trouble and expense attached to the hold-ing of a primary at all precincts and that the mass meeting plan is a fair one Mr. Montague's friends cite as precedents the plans of the last two gubernato birs magnetic presence and brilliant bursts of oratory.

He also received urgent invitations to speak in Kentucky, Delaware, Maryland and West Virginia, but was forced to denote the process of the proc until son down. A hot fight is notici

CHARACTER IN EYES AND HAIR

A Study to be Applied in Every-Day Life and Experience.

COLOR AND SHAPE MEAN MUCH.

& Person's Breeding, Disposition and Individuality, It Is Claimed, Can Be Determined Through This Means.

By GILSON WILLETS.

(Copyright-All Rights Reserved.) Either the eyes or the hair can be re-tied upon as a reasonably accurate index to character. In a person's eye tils temo character. In a person's eye his tem-perament, its mood or amount of in-lelligence may be read, while the hair reveals the degree of birth and breeding, and is a barometer of a person's health

In judging character by the eyes, the color, the brightness or dallness, and the color, the brightness or dallness, and the shape must be considered. The colors most common to the eyes—brown, gray, blue, hazel, and black, or what is called black—are seldom found in all the purity of mind, but it is plack—are seldom found in all the purity of the self-shape most of affection and purity of mind, but it is remarked of these that the possessor of the self-shape most or the eyes are indicative of a doubtful and self-shape must be considered. The colors most common to the eyes are indicative of a doubtful and self-shape must be considered. The colors most common to the eyes are indicative of a doubtful and self-shape must be considered. The colors most common to the eyes are indicative of a doubtful and self-shape must be considered. The colors most common to the eyes, and the possession of the eyes are indicative of a doubtful and self-shape must be considered. The colors most common to the eyes, are indicative of a doubtful and self-shape must be considered. The colors most common to the eyes are indicative of a doubtful and self-shape must be considered. The colors most common to the eyes are indicative of a doubtful and self-shape must be considered. The colors most common to the eyes are indicative of a doubtful and self-shape must be considered. The colors most common to the eyes are indicative of a doubtful and self-shape must be considered. The colors most expense must be considered. The colors make the progress.

—Orange made wonderful progress during the year 1900—the most remarkable advance in its history. The amount expense must be considered. The colors most expense must be considered in this town during the part of a few parts and the purity of mind, but it is a few parts and the progress.

of the individual color. Regarding the black eye, like the Spanlard's, it is distance only that makes it appear to be purely black, for the reason that the deep yellow brown color is in such strong contrast to the white of the eye that the pupil always appears black. There are also eyes of so bright a hazel as to seem almost yellow, and there are eyes that bear but the often-reiterated remark concerning "green-eyed isalousy." for they are, ing "green-eyed jealousy," for they are, to all appearances, positively green. They are sometimes beautiful when shaded with long and dark eyelastics, but they are not ndicative of a good disposition, and be ng particularly to a person o fjealous

of the individual color. Regarding the

ARDOR IN BLACK EYES. Intensity of feeling is to be found in the man or woman who possesses black eyes. Aaron Burr had such eyes. The brown eye, when not of the yellowish tint, but pure russet brown, shows an aftectorate disposition, and the darker the brown—that is, the more they verge on to that deepest of brown color in eyes we are in the habit of calling black—the more ardent, while it is agreed that the

affection of persons with black eyes is most lasting of all.
The clear, light blue eyes of Amerians, with a calm steadfastness in their glance, are indicative of a cheerful dis-position, of a serene temper, and of a constant nature. The pleasant, light blue eye with the honest glance, must not se confounded with another sort of eye of a pale blue, almost steel-colored hue, which has a continually shifting sort of motion both of the eyellos and the pupils. Such eyes are indicative of a doubtful and

such eyes is seidom a person of much intellectuality. It is the universal opinion that blue eyes are more significant of tenderness, and of a certain yielding of purpose, than either the brown, black or

purpose, than either the brown, black of gray eyes.

Gray eyes with a greenish tint are indicative of much intellectuality. They are especially indicative of impulsive, impressionable temperaments—a mixture of the sangulne and bilious—which produce the poetic and artistic natures. The gray eye is an almost universal characteristic of men and women of great intellect. Stakespeare had deep gray eyes, which were remarkable for their near approach to blue. Up to the death of the poet the original color remained. Lord Byron had the gray eyes, but, like Shakespeare and Byron, the gray was at times, and under mertal excitement particularly, thited with another color.

with another color.

EYES OF HOPE AND DESPAIR. EYES OF HOPE AND DESPAIR. A person with a bright eye has naturally a large power of possible development. The bright eyed one may be stup.d, but it is because of lack of development and not of any dearth of natural powers. The barge placed oxides nopeless eye is the large, placid ox-like

When the eye is straight, finely arched, When the eye is straight, finely arched, clear, transparent and modest, there will be found a frank, hopeful disposition, one easily approached, sensitive and responsive. Persons with narrow, half-closed eyes are more reserved, warthful of danger and cautious. There is a self-restraint to conceal facts and disguise their sentiments.

sentiments.

Oblique eyes, like those of the Chinese and Japanese, are keen-witted, tactful, quick, alert and antful.

The dropping of the upper lid is a sign

The dropping of the upper lid is a sign of strong desire to accumulate property of all sorts. Persons with this eye will not only work hard to acquire money, but also knowledge, position, power and friends. They are often talented and are usually fond of games of chance.

The eyebrows, also, are full of meaning. A clear, thick, overshadowing oyebrow, free from bushiness, is always the certain sign of good, sound, manly, mature understanding, though the owner of it is seldom very original or bold, aspiring or adventurous in disposition. Horizontal eyebrows, rich and clearly defined, always denote understanding, combined with cyebrows, rich and clearly defined, al-ways denote understanding, combined with coldness of heart and great capacity for framing plans. Wild eyebrows are never found over the eyes of a mild person, while eyebrows waving above the eyes, short and thick, signify capacious mem-ory, flexible, ingenuous and mild good nature. Arched eyebrows show the per-son to be proud, boid, high-spirited and vainglorious. Eyebrows with short, light hair generally denote a timid, credulous disposition, and such a person is apt to undertake more than he can perform. Black and thinly covered eyebrows sig-nify that the individual will do nothing without much consideration.

LOCKS CAN BE READ.
To read character in the hair, texture
s well as color must be observed. The To read character in the hair, texture as well as color must be observed. The finer the hair the gentler the birth or the higher grade of family stock. People with the hair as fine as silk are of very refined tastes, of artistic temperament, but inclined to be moody and changeable. They are apt to be happy one day and depressed the next, but cheerful spirits predominate. They are easily influenced by those they like. They usually reach success in art, musle or literature—Emerson and Longfellow, for instance—and are fine managers, because they generally possess energy and adaptability. A person of common extraction seldom has very fine hair. The locks of such a person may be a crown of glory in quantity and color, but never in quality. Curly hair means that the owner has inherent grace and poetic ease of the body. The closer the ends of the hair cling together the more intellectuality does the owner possess. Jonathan Edwards and Audubon had such hair.

er possess. Jonathan Edwards and Audubon had such hair.

People with fine black hair are highstrung, while those with coarse black hair, if they are smart, are nearly always mean. Men or women with dark hair are more tempestuous than those with light hair. The dark eyes and complexion that go with the different shades of dark brown and black hair denote strong feelings. Black hair that is coarse and lustreless, in the cases out of ten files a treacherous and jealous nature.

BLONDE AND RED HAIR.

The lighter the hair, the more sentitive and touchy the owner, except in rare casand touchy the owner, except in rare cases, where the person enjoys perfect fiealth. Excuan fibrit indicades common sense, good judgment and reason. Men with fine, light trair are, as a rule, smart and assertive. Men with fine brown hair are quick, thoughtful and less apt to be selfish than their very light or very dark haired brothers. Women with pale blonde hair, of the coloriess, ashy kind, are impulsive and changeable; those with dark brown hair the reverse.

People with very light and fine red hair generally succeed in anything they attempt. They are invertably well mannered, and know how to charm, but can be quarrelsome, selfish and irritable at times.

(Written for The American.)
Love in a corrage, what kisses and cheese,
is a story that's often been told,
But it holds no sway with the girl of to-

day, though it did with the girl of old. But time has changed in its onward march and with it the women and men.

Time was when a maiden would love for love's sake; not so with the maid

of to-day;

It's the man with the gold, be he young or old, who carries the prize away.

Tis the life of luxury, gaiety, giare, that her heart doth forever crave,

Her soul is alive to the pleasures of life, but her love is as cold as the grave.

he smiles on the princely and sneers a the poor; her world is a world of

She reigns supreme in her world as a queen, with gold as her only creed, he changes of time may change again and history may repeat,
And the Twentieth Century give us a girl
who is tender and true and sweet.

Baltimore, Md.

An answer to Mr. Nowell's "Gold."
(Written for The American.)
Yes, love in a cottage, with kisses a cheese, is

WILLIAM NOWELL.

A story that's often been told, And the thought's as sweet to the girl of to-day.
As it was to the girl of old; e has changed in its onward march

And girls seek in vain for the men And girls seek in vain for the men Who are brave and tender, strong, lov-ing and true, Who lived without number then.

Time was when a maiden would love for love's sake; And so would the maid of to-day If but men could be found with hearts brave and true

trave and true
To carry the prize away.
It's not for luxury, galety, glare, the soul
Of a true woman doth crave;
She longs for sympathy, tenderness and

Such as in olden times men gave. She longs for a kingdom where hearts are made one.
Yes, her world is one of greed;
She wants to be queen in home of her

With love as their only creed With love as their only creed
Ah! may the Twentieth Century bring
Us loving and noble men.
And the girl of to-day will take cottage

As the maidens of old did then. Wytheville, Va.

Fine Progress.

NEWS OF HORSES AND HORSEMEN

The Ellerslie Farm Stallions and Brood Mares.

IMP. CHARAXUS AT THE HEAD.

Death of Colonel Lybrook-Murray Howe's New Work-Rustler, the Son of Hustler Russell-Other Items of Interest.

While extending New-Year's greetings, Messrs. R. J. Hancock & Son, of the Ellerslie Stud, Charlottesville, Va., write me that most of the horses there are looking fine and wintering in nice shape. The brown stallion Fatherless, imported in 1800 from England, has improved wonder-fully since being taken to Ellerslie, but after being bred to some mare and given after being bred to some mare and given a bite of spring clover, Mr. Arthur B. Hancock, who directs affairs at the farm, conks that the son of Isonomy will look an entirely different sort. Imported Charaxus is twenty-five years old, but looks good for several years' service yet. His son, Charentus, holds the American record at one and a quarter miles, while Patherless ran one and three-eighths miles faster than any horse has ever covered the distance

any horse has ever covered the distance in England.

Notwithstanding the great size, Eon was Notwithstanding the great size, Eon was a very fast horse while on the turf, and was rated as a very high-class performer, as were his full brother. Eole and St. Saviour. From now on the Messrs. Hancock are confident that the get of Eon will be perminent, as Longfellow, in America, Isonomy in England, and other great stallions were slow beginners as sires. as sires.

There are five stallions and forty-two brood mares in the stud at the farm, among them being three sons and twelve daughters of Eolus, the dead son of Imp Leamington, that brought fame and fortune to Ellerslie. Imp. Charaxus, the bay tune to Ellerslie, Imp. Charaxus, the bay son of Distin and Sappho, by Kingston, that was folled in 1876, is the premier sire of Ellerslie, and his stud companions are Eon, bay horse, fealed in 1886, by Eolus, out of War Song, by War Dance; Imported Fatherless, brown horse, foaled in 1890 by Isonomy, out of Orphan Agnes, by Speculum; Arus, black horse, foaled in 1895, by Eolus, out of Sample, by imp. Rotherhill, and Aureus, bay horse foaled in 1875, the full breither to Aureus The broad Rotaerhill, and Aureus, say norse loaded in 1825, the full brother to Aurus. The brood mares are a grand lot, and among them are the dams of some of the most noted race horses seen on the turf during recent years. The list follows:

Tillie Russell, dam of Russell, chestnut mare, foaled in 1876, by Scathelick, dam Dalsy, by Cracker.

Daisy, by Cracker. Cerise, dam of Morello, bay mare, foaled

Cerise, dam of Morello, bay mare, foaled 1879, by imp. Moscasin, dam Lizzie Lucas, by imp. Australian.

Vigilene, dam of Vigilant, brown mare, foaled in 1880, by Vigil, dam Ellen Alice, by Barney Williams.

Lady Grace, dam of John Cavanaugh, bay mare, foaled 1882, by Romney, dam Grace Darling, by Jonesboro.

Rozeta, bay mare, foaled 1883, by Incommode, dam Mary P., by Gilroy.

Sample, dam of Jessie Taral, bay mare, foaled 1888, by Satilla, by imp. Buckden, Huava, bay mare, foaled 1890, by imp. Ecthen, dam Revolt, by Lexington.

Hinva, bay mare, bailed less, by him-Eotien, dam Revolt, by Lexington. Mermaid, dam of Merry Day, Eonie and Eous, by imp. St. Blaise, dam Palmetto, bay mare, foaled 1891, by imp. Eotien, dam Castagnet, by Marsyas. Little Alice, bay mare, foaled 1890, by Lisbon, dam Flirtation, by imp. Glen-

esy. Ora Olive, bay mare, foaled 1833, by Buchanau, dam Mary Louise, by Luke

Blackburn.
Guara, bay mare, foaled 1896, by Loco-hatchee, dam Guava, by imp. Eothen.
Eola, dam of Lester, chestnut mare, foal-ed 1882, by Eolus, dam War Song, by War

Bance.
Ethie, dam of Hammie, Hex,' Rosinante, etc., chestnut mare, foaled 1884, by Eolus, dam Calash, by imp. Phaeton,
Ada Belle, dam of Ma Belle and Charade, chestnut mare, foaled 1884, by Eolus, dam Jennie Belle, by Imp. Hurrafi. Clash, dam of Charina and Tootsie Green, bay mare, foaled 1885, by Eolus, dam Calash by imp. Phaeton. Helmwind, dam of Charawind, chestnut mare, foaled 1889, by Eolus, dam Helen

Ninone, dam of Ninoe, Chat of me, etc., chestnut mare, foaled 1889, by Eolus, dam Ninon by War Dance.

Generine, dam of Alfonso, chestnut mare

saled 1893, by Eolus, dam Genere by Meta Russell, dam of Colonel Padden, chestnut mare, foaled 1892, by Eolus, dam Fillie Russell by Scathelock. Vigile, bay mare, foaled 1890, by Eolus,

dam Vigiline, by Vigil.
Lizzle H., full sister to Morello, bay
mare, foaled 1893, by Eolus, dam Cerise, y imp. Moccasin.

ly imp. Moccasin.
Young Grace, dam of Charigrace and
Gracious, bay mare, foaled 1888, by Eolus, dam Grace Darling, by Jonesboro,
Merry Mail, full sister to Merry Day,
bay mare, foaled 1894, by Eolus, dam Merild, by imp. Et. Blaise. Niola, brown mare, foaled 1893, dam Nita, by imp. Billet.

Nita, by imp. Billet.
Sanci, sister to Souci, dam of Sport,
chestnut mare, fouled 1896, by Eolus, dam
Sens Souci, by imp. Bonnie Scotland.
Eocene, sister to Lester, chestnut mare, paled 1890, by imp. Charaxus, dam Eo

t, by Eolus. Eolide, chestnut mare, foaled 1891, full ster to Eocene. Eno, chestnut mare, foaled 1892, full sis-

Eo., Clester and Control of Eocene.
Eonisse, chestnut mare, foaled 1896, full elster to Eona. Eolide, etc.
Eostre, full sister to Chateuau, Leigh, etc., bay mare, foaled 1894, by imp. Charoxus, dam Eolee, by Eolus, Nicos, a frequent winner, bay mare, coaled 1894, by imp. Charaxus, dam Ninone,

Cara Belic, sister to Ma Belle and Chatcaux, chestnut marc, foaled 1897, by imp. haraxus, dam Ada Belle, by Eolus. Mouric, sister to Tom Skidmore, black are, foaled 18%, by imp. Charaxus, dam lennie Keene, by Eolus.
Ellerslie, sister to Chateaux, etc., bay narc, foaled 1829, by imp. Charaxus, dam

chestnut marc, foaled 1898, by Eous or Eon, dam Sample, by imp. Rother-

Eliza Russell, chestnut mare, foaled 1898. by Eon, dam Tille Russell, by Scathelock, Network, brown mare, foaled 1898, by Eon, dam Eonette, by Imp. Eothen, Rosella, bay mare, foaled 1898, by Eon, Aurine, bay mare, roaled 1895, by Eon, dam Rozeta, by Incommode.

Aurine, bay mare, foaled 1899, by Eon, dam Sample, by imp. Rotherhill.

Winter Cherry, bay mare, foaled 1899, by Eon, dam Cerise, by imp. Moccasin.

Rosalina, brown mare, foaled 1895, by mp. Masetto, dam Rosaline, by Commo

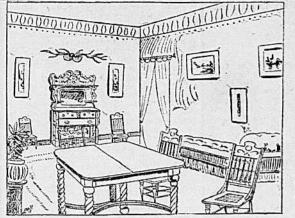
The Thoroughbred Record says: "Among the list of entries for the New-market Stakes of 1903 those of interest to American tarfmen are given below: "Mr. Richard Croker has three by his young sire Dobbins-a chestnut cold out of Margarine (dam of The Commoner), brown colt out of Saucy Lass, chestnut colt out of Rheda B., and one, a bay colt colt out of Rheda B., and one, a bay colt by Prince of Monaco out of Bonita Belle. "Mr. J. S. Cartis has five, all bred on his farm at Leesburg, Va.: Bay filly, by Savile, out of Star Actress; brown filly, by Benvenuto, out of Parella; brown colt,

by Contract, out of Lady Dora; brown fully, by Contract, out of Lady Avery, and a black colt, by Contract, out of Golden Mr. J. R. Keene enters a bay colt by Persimmon, out of Sandily.
"Mr. Pierre Lorillard enters eight: Chestnut colt, by The Sailor Prince, out of

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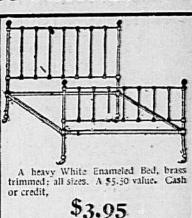
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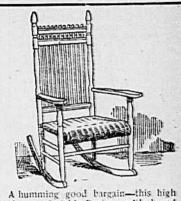
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of Vestal; chestnut colt, by Sansatlon, out of Elizabeth; brown colt, by Senation, out of Pandora; chestnut cold, by Pontiac, out of Dal; chestnut colt, by Pontiac, out (Troyana; chestnut colt, by Lacohatchee of Pana, and chestnut colt, by Loco-

hatchee, out of Aster. Col. Philip H. Lybrook, postmaster of Winston-Salem, N. C., died in a nospital at Philadelphia on the 3d instant. He was at Pailadelphia on the 3d instant. He was taken there in October, and, while it was known at the time that his condition was serious, there was abope for his restoration to health until December 30th, when there was a marked change for the worse. It remains were shapped to Stuart, Va., the native home of the deceased, for interment. He was tairty-two years old and a son of the late Judge A. M. Lybrook, who was a member of a prominent Virginia. was a memoer of a positive Caralla family. He was also closely related to Mr. R. J. Reynolds, one of the most prominent citizens of Winston and widely known as a wealthy tobacco manufacturer. Colonel Lybrook was a strong fancier of the light harness horse and usually owned one of or more of the fast roadsters. The roan mare Queen Bess, by Blue Bird, son of Jay Bird, campaigned by George F. Dyer through the North Carolina and Georgia circuit last season, was the property of Colonel Lybrook. wealthy tobacco manufacturer. Colon

"Stable Conversation" is the title of a new work just published by The Horse Review, Chicago, and its authorer is that eview, Unicago, and its authors is that right and entertaining turf writer Mur-ty Howe, whose contributions to The Re-ew are widely read and exceedingly opular. Stable Conversation deals ex-usively with the trotting turf and the ading character "Jimmy, the Groomster," typical recobers wine it a representypical race-berse swipe, is a represen-ative member of his profession. The work is true to life, intensely amusing and touches on most of the leading owners, trainers and drivers of the present day, while the pricer \$1.25, places it easily within reach of all interested in the light harness race-horse, in whose hands it hould be.

Marshall & Thompson, of Warrenton, a., have leased from James R, and Foxhall P. Keene, of the Castleton Stud, Lex-ington, Ky., the thoroughbred stallions Tournament and King Arthur II., and will rournament and King Arthur II., and will place them in the Stud at Warrenton. Tournament is a bay horse, foaled 1887, by imp. Sir Mordred, out of Plaything, by Alarm. His winnings while on the

turf amounted to the handsome sum of 8108,778. He is the sire of Petruchio, win-ner of the Brooklyn Derby, Tournament also sired Compensation, Tourney, Scat-tle, Fairy Dell, Lottie Sheville, Marsarra and others. King Arthur II. is a bay honse, fonded 1892 by Longfellow, out of Belle Knight, by Knighthood. He stands 16:1 in height, and is one of the largest thoroughbred horses ever sent out from Kenticky. A young horse, he has sired Kentucky. A young horse, he has stred but few foals, but the handsome filly, a yearling, at Castleton is included among them. As stud companions Tournament and King Arthur II. will have His Grace and King Arthur II. will have His Grace, a grand-looking son of Eolus; Black-cock, the son of imp. Pontiac and Bonnie Gal, dam of Disguse II., winner of the Jockey Club Stakes in England (value \$50,000), and Circassian, that grand old son of Alarm that sired Mars Chan, one of the greatest steeple-chase horses of pay special attention to breeding steeple-chase horses, hunters, and jumpers, and, with such a magnificent collection of stallions for that purpose, it would seem strange if they did not succeed. Among recent winners at New Orleans

are Cogswell, black colt, 2, by Jim Gray, dam Leola, by Eolus, bred by A. D. Payne, of the Annita Stud, Charlottesville, and Gracious, bay filly, 3, by imp. Charaxus, out of Young Grace, by Eolus. The latter is a product of the Ellersife Stud of R. J. Hancock & Son, Charlottesville. Within a week she captured three races, at six furlongs, five and one-half furlongs, and one mile, doing the distance over a heavy track in 1:19, 1:12, and 1:53. while finishing behind the daughter of Charaxus were good fields of youngsters W. P. Munday, Roanoke, Va., has lost,

by death, due to heart trouble, the 10-year-old brown stallfon Dick Malone, 20,457, by Smuggler, 2:1514, dam Hartwood Fairy, by Hartwood, sen of Harold. Dick Malone was bred by F. G. Babcock, Horner-wille, N. Y., and foaled at Walton Farm, Fails Mills, Va., where his dam was purchased while in feal, BROAD ROCK.

What Will the New Year Bring to Me? By Rev. H. Petty.
(Written for The Times.)
I know not wimt another year
May bring to me.
A life all clouded o'er and dear,

Or joyous be. Hoping, trusting, I'll watch and walt To see revealed. What's writ within the book of fate,

I may be called a cross to bear. As yet unseen, Or some one's bitter grief to bear,

Some anguish keen. What e'er my lot I'll not repine
For well I know,
Some appears bend is holding mine,

Where'er I ge. Oh; blessed thought that, 'mid the strife, That reigns on earth, There is a higher, holier life, A second birth.

Seek then, my soul, this life to gain, And thus to rise. Above the reach of toll and pain, Beyond the skies.

E'er clinging to the cross I'll win-That blessed rest, So pure, so sweet, so free from sin, Supremely blest.

A Bungling Job.

Last week at Cedar Branch, one mile from Saltville, the store of Goss Bros. & Leonard was broken into, goods stolen and scattered, some being thrown on the floor and trampled upon. The safe was also broken open and \$40 stolen therefrom. The work seems not to have been that of experts, as the tools used were a hammer and chisel. The safe was battered considerably and all the money it contained stolen. So far as is now known there is no clus to the robbers.—Wytheville Dispatch. A Bungling Job.

RAILROAD BRANCH

An Effort Being Made to Establish a

THE SOUTHERN'S EMPLOYES.

Danville Association-A Membership Being Enrolled.

There is being made by the employes of the Southern Rallway in Manchester a determined effort towards organizing a railroad branch of the Y. M. C. A. !

This matter has been in a general way discussed for some months, but now it seems that it is to be taken up in a syste-

Owen, Superintendent of the Southern shops in that city, who is willing to give it his time and attention. A petition, signed by a large number of the employees of the Southern Railway, has recently been gotten up, asking that the officials take the matter under consideration and co-operate with the Y. M. C. A. in the work.

prominent in the State Y. M. C. A. work in establishing railroad associations in his opinion the matter would have crought before the officials of the Southern in a more definite shape, as heretofore the company has insisted upon having a guaranteed membership enrolled and pre-sented, thus showing the genuine interest

and regarding his idea they have set to work along the line he has indicated, and hope in the near future to have the un-

dertaking well in hand.

The Southern Rallway co-operates with the Y. M. C. A, wherever it is shown that the men in its employ desire the Associations and will no doubt take an interest in the work in Manchester, as in that city there are between 500 and 1,000 employes. Some of the most splendlidly engineed V. M. C. A. halls in the South are railroad institutions. The one recently completed in Danville has met with much success and after the plan and model of this branch the Manchester men wish to establish

Mr. Lane, of the big railroad contracting firm of Lane Bros. of Albemarle, was in the city last week, looking after the interest of a large confract received from the N. & W. road for improvements with-

the building of several large culverts and arches of masonry, one near the Moomaw property, and the other at the crossing of the county road near the Paper Mills. This firm also has the contract for filling in of the long, high tres-tle on the N. & W. road just above the

ever on the alert to improve their road-bed and place their tracks in a first-class, safe and substantial condition.

—Buana Vista Advocate.

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IN MANCHESTER

Y. M. C. A.

The Branch to Be Modeled After the

it was stated this week by a gentleman

of the men in the work.

This opinion of the gentleman, who to deeply interested in the Manchester Branch has been made known to those working for the Association in that city.

Ballroad Betterments.

in the city.

Work will shortly be commenced upon

Paper Mills.
This work will require a large force of hands for a considerable length of time, and will mean the spending of considerable money in this section.

The Nerfolk & Western officials are